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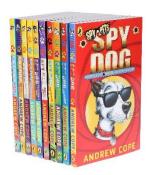
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## Important Safeguarding Notice: Children's "Spy" Books

Dear Parents and Carers,

We wish to inform you of a recent issue concerning several popular children's books by Andrew Cope, specifically the Spy Dog, Spy Pups, and Spy Cats series.

Some editions of these books contain a printed web address on the back cover. This link previously directed readers to the author's official website. However, the domain is no longer under his control and has since been acquired by an external party. Regrettably, the website now hosts inappropriate adult content.



In response, the publisher, Puffin, has suspended sales and distribution of the affected titles and is actively working with schools, libraries, and retailers to remove copies from circulation. They have confirmed that the compromised website is in no way affiliated with the author or the publisher.

What this means for you:

- If your child owns any books from the Spy Dog, Spy Pups, or Spy Cats series, please check the back cover for any website links and ensure they do not attempt to visit the site.
- The stories themselves remain appropriate for children; the concern relates solely to the outdated web link.
- We recommend discussing with your child the importance of not visiting websites mentioned in books without first consulting a trusted adult.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours faithfully,

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